DISABILITY NETWORK DIRECTORY

Deaf Resources

Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

3417 Volta Place, NW Washington, DC 20007 202-337-5220 (V) 202-337-5221 (TTY)

E-mail: info@agbell.org

www.agbell.org

Help families, health care providers and education professionals understand childhood hearing loss and the importance of early diagnosis intervention. Advocacy, education, research and financial aid. Children's Legal Advocacy (CLA) program provides legal representation and technical assistance to families of children who are deaf and hard of hearing seeking early intervention services and appropriate educational placements. Leadership Enrichment Adventure Program (LEAP) is a multi-day program designed for undergraduate and graduate students interested in developing skills in leadership, teamwork, conflict resolution and problem solving. **Leadership Opportunities for Teens (LOFT)** program is a multi-day program designed for high school students to develop skills in individual leadership, teamwork, understanding group dynamics and communication, public speaking, and self advocacy. Parent Advocacy Training provides information and resources to advocate for the educational rights of children through negotiation skills and a foundation in legal information.

Alternative Solutions Center

Candace A. McCullough, PhD., LCPC

E-mail: asc@ascdeaf.com

www.ascdeaf.com

Deaf-owned and operated psychotherapy and consulting practice staffed by deaf licensed professional therapists. Provide individual, couples, and family therapy for deaf people and their families. Please use e-mail when requesting services. Sliding scale/out-of-pocket fees also offered. Offices in Bethesda and Frederick.

American Sign Language Classes Montgomery College

Pauline Laster, Associate Professor 1-866-945-2017 (Toll Free)

Can be contacted through Video Relay Service (VRS). Call 1-866-327-8877 (V), then ask the operator to

connect to 301-243-1954 (V).

E-mail: pauline.laster@montgomerycollege.edu

Assisted Access, Inc. and NFSS Communications

1-800-950-9655 (V/TTY)

E-mail: assistedaccess-nfss@comcast.net

www.nfss.com

Assistive products, such as mobility, support, home and health-related items at discounts for persons with disabilities.

Auditory Services, Inc.

1734 Elton Road, Suite 104 Silver Spring, MD 20903 301-434-4300 (V)

www.auditoryservices.com

Audiologist in private practice. Offer hearing assessment (Medicare assignment accepted), hearing aid evaluation and counseling services regarding assistive listening devices.

Cerebral Palsy and Deaf Organization

E-mail: webmaster@cpado.org

www.cpado.org

Offer a place to ask questions, discuss topics, find out what's happening, or contribute personal experiences.

Deaf Abused Women's Network (DAWN)

Amy L. Rousseau, Executive Director Sasha Ponappa, Advocate Coordinator

5321 First Place, NE Washington, DC 20011 202-861-0258 (TTY)

1-866-290-3296 (Toll Free TTY 24 Hour Hotline)

202-559-5366 (Videophone) E-mail: info@deafdawn.org

E-mail: hotline@deafdawn.org (24-Hour Hotline)

E-mail: sasha@deafdawn.org

www.deafdawn.org

Non-profit organization that addresses domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking in the deaf, hard of hearing and deaf-blind community. Appointments encouraged before coming to the office.

Deaf Addictions Services at Maryland (DASAM)

Laurie Yaffe, MA, LCADC, Program Director

630 West Fayette Street Baltimore. MD 21201

410-837-3313 (V)

410-706-0417 (TTY)

410-706-0418 (Video Phone)

E-mail: <u>lyaffe@psych.umaryland.edu</u> www.umm.edu/dasam/index.htm

Deaf support groups, women and men groups, and

interpreted NA/AA meetings.

Deaf AIDS Project - Family Service Foundation

5301 76th Avenue Landover Hills, MD 20784 301-459-2121 X 296 (V) 1-866-935-4658 (Toll Free) 301-731-2116 (TTY)

E-mail: ssoulier@fsfinc.org www.deafnonprofit.net/dap

Hours: Monday through Friday, 9:00am to 5:00pm. The project provides HIV education and functions to bridge the gap between human service agencies and deaf clients with AIDS-related issues. Services are offered both on-site at the FSF office and off-site throughout Maryland. Services include free HIV testing, counseling, referrals, condom distribution, group presentations, and individual sessions.

Deafinitely Experts

Arden Coulson, Communication Specialist 1400 East West Highway, Suite 1508 Silver Spring, MD 20910 www.deafinitely.com

Provide services for multi-handicap deaf and nondeaf communication training and video streaming.

Deafnet Association

551 Jefferson Street Hagerstown, MD 21741 301-791-9025 (V) 301-791-9020 (TTY)

E-mail: deafnet@myactv.net

www.deafnetmd.org

Serve Frederick, Allegany, Garrett and Washington Counties. Provide information and referral on deafness and related issues. Offer sign language classes and training classes, including TTY's and other specialized equipment, ADA compliance, deaf awareness, and how to use an interpreter. Group meetings every 2nd Thursday of the month. Learning aids available for purchase. **Interpreter Referral Service**: Interpreters are available 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. Fees are charged for services.

Division of Rehabilitation Services (DORS)

Germantown Office

20010 Century Boulevard, Suite 400

Germantown, MD 20874

E-mail: germantown@dors.state.md.us

301-601-1500 (V)

866-282-0948 (Videophone)

Wheaton Office

Westfield South Office, Suite 408

11002 Veirs Mill Road Wheaton, MD 20902

E-mail: wheaton@dors.state.md.us

301-949-3750 (V) 301-949-7513 (TTY)

866-338-7985 (Videophone)

www.dors.state.md.us

Offer programs and services that help people with disabilities go to work or stay independent in their homes and communities. Also offer specialized services for people who are deaf or hard of hearing such as audiological evaluation and assessment, assistive devices, telecommunication devices, speech and language therapy, and interpreter services.

Family Hearing Center

The Treatment and Learning Center

Susan Yaffe Oziel, Director 2301 Research Boulevard, Suite 110 Rockville, MD 20850 301-738-1415 (V) 301-424-5203 (TTY)

E-mail: syaffe-oziel@ttlc.org

www.ttlc.org/fhc.htm

For infants to adults. Offer comprehensive hearing evaluations, hearing aid consultations, assistive listening devices, aural rehabilitation, and counseling. Walk-in clinic for hearing aid problems most Fridays 12:00pm – 2:00pm and Saturdays 11:00am - 1:00pm.

Hearing and Speech Agency (HASA)

Harry & Jeanette Weinberg Building 5900 Metro Drive Baltimore, MD 21215 410-318-6780 (V)

E-mail: hasa@hasa.org

www.hasa.org

Private, non-profit organization that provides hearing and speech services, offers an information resource center, and advocates for people of all ages with communication disorders/disabilities. Services include hearing tests, hearing aids, hearing-aid repair, speech-language evaluations and therapy, auditory-oral therapy, oral deaf education, pre- and post-cochlear implant services, occupational and physical therapy, special education, sign language and oral interpreting, sign language classes, deaf awareness seminars, social work, and parent support groups. Financial aid applications are available.

Humanim

6355 Woodside Court Columbia, MD 21046 410-381-7171 (V) 1-888-374-8342 (Toll Free)

E-mail: info@humanim.com

Assist individuals who are deaf in obtaining and maintaining employment through vocational support services, including job readiness, training, placement and coaching.

Jewish Social Service Agency

200 Wood Hill Road Rockville, MD 20850 301-838-4200 (V) 301-309-2597 (TTY)

www.jssa.org

Provide counseling and case management services for children, teens and adults who are deaf and hard of hearing. Specialized programs include: individual, family and group counseling for all ages, case management services, psychiatric evaluations and medication management, career and employment services, workshops and support groups, community education and advocacy, and referrals to other community resources.

Kendall Demonstration Elementary School (KDES)

800 Florida Avenue, NE Washington, DC 20002 202-651-5397 (V/TTY)

E-mail: kdesadmissions@gallaudet.edu http://clerccenter.gallaudet.edu/KDES/

Located on Gallaudet's campus. Serve deaf and hard of hearing students from birth through age 15, beginning with the Parent-Infant Program and ending in grade 8. Support services are available to all students including speech, audiological, counseling, social work, psychological, occupational and physical therapy, and medical and health services. Also offer an extensive after-school program.

Laurent Clerc National Deaf Education Center Gallaudet University

800 Florida Avenue, NE Washington, DC 20002 202-651-5051 (V) 202-651-5636 (TTY)

E-mail: clerc.center@gallaudet.edu http://clerccenter.gallaudet.edu

Centralized source of accurate, objective information related to deaf and hard of hearing children from birth through age 21 which responds to questions from families, the general public, deaf and hard of hearing people, and professionals serving this population. Info To Go collects, develops and disseminates informational materials on communication, education, parenting, organizations, services/programs, and more. All of the informational materials are available to download, free of charge.

Library Services to the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Community – Montgomery County Public Libraries

E-mail: drcinfo@montgomerycountymd.gov Library and literacy services are available to the deaf and hard of hearing community through a wide range of materials, library programs and telecommunication services. Many books, closed captioned videos or DVDs, and periodicals about deaf culture, hearing loss, deaf history, and communication options can be borrowed from the Rockville Memorial Library or another Montgomery County library branch. Items can be sent to other libraries for pick up. At the Rockville Memorial Library, books, magazines, and videos or DVDs for parents, teachers, and child care providers are available on the first floor in the Children's Resource Collection. Materials related to employment, rehabilitation, and coping with adult onset deafness or other disabilities can be found on the second floor of the Rockville Memorial Library. MCPL offers services that make library programs accessible to its deaf and hard of hearing customers:

- Interpreting Services: Montgomery County Public Libraries has a contract through Montgomery County Government to provide sign language or oral interpreting or cued speech transliteration services for deaf and hard of hearing individuals for all library-sponsored programs. Five (5) work days notice is requested. Complete the interpreter request form.
- Sign-Interpreted Programs: You may check on the availability of a list of sign-interpreted library programs by contacting the Coordinator of Library Services to the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Community.
- Hearing Assistive Technology: The meeting rooms at Damascus, Davis, Germantown, Marilyn Praisner (Burtonsville), Quince Orchard and Rockville Libraries have permanently installed audio induction loop, a hearing assistive technology, that can be used during a library sponsored program. When you request the audio loop, a microphone will then be reserved. To make this arrangement, contact the library seven (7) work days in advance.
- Videophones: Two videophones have been installed. They are available at the Germantown Library and the Rockville Memorial Library.
- Other accommodations can be requested. Five (5) work days' advance notice requested.

Listening Center at Johns Hopkins

410-955-9397 (V/TTY)

E-mail: info@thelisteningcenter.com

www.thelisteningcenter.com

Offers comprehensive approach to cochlear implantation and develops resources needed to provide patients with optimal access to sound and spoken language. Also serve as a major research and training center for medical and educational professionals working with individuals with hearing loss.

Maryland Assistive Technology Co-Op

7500 Oakland Mills Road, Suite 160

Columbia, MD 21046

410-381-2667 (AT Learning Center) 410-290-1327 (Discounted Purchasing)

E-mail: info@matcoop.org

www.matcoop.org

Provides discounted purchasing on assistive technology. Products available: educational software, communication devices, computer access, aides for daily living, visual supports software, sensory aids, and therapeutic supplies. Training, consultation, technical assistance, and evaluations. **On-Line Equipment**

Classified Ads: www.equipmentlink.org

Maryland Relay Services

Department of Information Technology Telecommunications Access of Maryland 301 West Preston Street, Suite 1008A Baltimore, MD 21201

1-800-552-7724 (V/TTY) Maryland Relay: 711

Maryland Residents: 1-800-735-2258 (V/TTY) Spanish Line: 1-800-877-1264 (V/TTY)

E-mail: moreinfo@mdrelay.org

www.mdrelav.org

Provides free service to call TTY users. Distributes free amplified phones, ring signalers, TTYs, and other assistive devices to qualified applicants who have difficulty using the telephone. Applications available online.

Maryland School for the Deaf

Frederick Campus

P.O. Box 250 101 Clarke Place

Frederick, MD 21705-0250

301-360-2000 (V)

301-360-2001 (TTY)

240-575-2975 (Videophone) E-mail: frederick@msd.edu

Columbia Campus

P.O. Box 894

8169 Old Montgomery Road

Columbia, MD 21045

E-mail: columbia@msd.edu

410-480-4500 (V)

410-480-4501 (TTY)

240-575-2966 (Videophone)

www.msd.edu

Provide free public education for children from birth through age 21 who are deaf and hard of hearing, reside in Maryland, and meet the admissions criteria. Utilize a general education curriculum as well as the voluntary state curriculum. Students are immersed in educational, developmental, and extra-curricular activities.

Maxi-Aids

42 Executive Boulevard Farmingdale, NY 11735 1-800-522-6294 (V) 1-800-281-3555 (TTY)

www.maxiaids.com

Products for those who are blind, low vision, deaf, hard of hearing, or have mobility impairments. Products for health and rehabilitation, household, and computer accessories.

National Association of the Deaf (NAD)

8630 Fenton Street, Suite 820 Silver Spring, MD 20910 301-587-1788 (V) 301-587-1789 (TTY)

www.nad.org

Private, nonprofit organization representing the interest and rights of people who are deaf or hearing impaired. Contact NAD for information on legal assistance, public policy on deafness and disabilities, and referrals to products that assist people who are deaf or hearing impaired.

National Institute on Deafness and other Communication Disorders (NIDCD)

National Institutes of Health 31 Center Drive, MSC 2320 Bethesda, MD 20892-2320 1-800-241-1044 (V) 1-800-241-1055 (TTY)

E-mail: nidcdinfo@nidcd.nih.gov

www.nidcd.nih.gov

Conduct and support biomedical and behavioral research and research training in the normal and disordered processes of hearing, balance, smell, taste, voice, speech, and language.

Northern Virginia Resource Center for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Persons

3951 Pender Drive, Suite 130 Fairfax, VA 22030 703-352-9055 (V) 703-352-9056 (TTY) E-mail: info@nvrc.org

www.nvrc.org

Serve deaf and hard of hearing people, their families, friends, co-workers, employers, and businesses and government agencies that serve deaf and hard of hearing people. Offer and support a variety of programs for newborns to seniors with hearing loss.

Office of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

The State of Maryland

Lisa Kornberg, Director 217 East Redwood Street, Suite 1300 Baltimore, MD 21202 410-767-6290 (V) 410-767-7756 (TTY) 1-800-735-2258 (MD Relay) 443-453-5954 (Videophone)

E-mail: lkornberg@gov.state.md.us
E-mail: odhh@gov.state.md.us

www.odhh.md.gov

Promote the general welfare of deaf and hard of hearing individuals in Maryland. Programs include awareness, training, technical assistance, constituent services, and community outreach and education.

SERD (Social Educational Research & Development)

5225 Wisconsin Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20015 202-364-5733 (V)

Provide office skills training for persons 16 years and older who are deaf or hearing impaired.

Smoke Alarm Program – Montgomery County Fire & Rescue Services

William Delaney, Program Manager 240-777-2476 (V)

E-mail: william.delaney@montgomerycountymd.gov
Supply one free-of-charge smoke alarm for senior and
low-income homeowners. Visual smoke alarms
available for hearing impaired individuals. Additional
alarms must be purchased. If you rent, please first ask
your landlord to install a smoke alarm. Also conduct
home safety evaluations and identify fire safety and
injury issues.

Springfield Hospital Center - Forensic, Addiction and Trauma Recovery Services

6655 Sykesville Road Sykesville, MD 21784 410-970-7000 (V) 410-549-7950 (TTY) 1-800-333-7564 (Toll Free) 1-800-249-4347 (TTY)

E-mail: shc_admin@dhmh.state.md.us http://dhmh.state.md.us/springfield

Provide deaf psychiatric services such as individual, couples or family therapy for deaf individuals and their families as well as occasional group therapy.

Telecommunications for the Deaf, Inc. (TDI)

8630 Fenton Street, Suite 604 Silver Spring, MD 20910-3803 301-589-3786 (V) 301-589-3006 (TTY) 866-970-6836 (Videophone) E-mail: info@tdi-online.org

www.tdi-online.org

Online resource guide of contact information and other resources on various telecommunication and media resources in the United States.

Washington Hearing and Speech Center Sibley Memorial Hospital

5255 Loughboro Road, NW Washington, DC 20016 202-537-4010 (V)

Provide auditory and speech therapy. An auditory booth allows sophisticated hearing assessments and special equipment is available to evaluate children. Speech pathologists work with people who have speech and language deficits, swallowing and other oral motor difficulties and with children with language delays. Sell hearing aid batteries. Free walk-in hearing screenings Monday – Thursday, 8:30am to 4:00pm.

Words+, Inc.

42505 10th Street West Lancaster, CA 93534-7059 661-723-6523 (V) 1-800-869-8521 (Toll Free) E-mail: <u>info@words-plus.com</u> <u>www.words-plus.com</u>

Produces computer software and specialized hardware, such as alternative communication devices, for use by persons with disabilities.

WS Audiology Services, Inc.

Wendy Shiau, Ph.D., CCC-A 966 Hungerford Drive, Suite 8A Rockville, MD 20850 301-838-0085 (V) Provides services of hearing aids/assistive listening devices and audiological evaluations.